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## Keeping it reel

Nathan Hill and Charlotte Gilbert took part in the Minden Hills kids fishing derby on Canada Day. See more photos on page 30.  
Photo by Lisa Gervais.

## Plea to move fast on STR regulations

By Lisa Gervais

Phil Harknett, who lives between two short-term rentals (STRs) on a small lake in Dysart, appealed to County council June 28 to finally regulate and tax the industry.

“What we have here is second homes that people have invested in as a business, and it’s time this County got down to taxing and regulating these businesses,” he said.

Harknett added STR owners would be charged under the regulations to generate revenue for the County and townships. He noted regulating would also ensure the safety of renters. He added STRs are affecting long-term rentals, housing prices, and the ability of businesses to get staff due to a lack of housing.

With more than 10 STRs on his lake of 45 properties, he said it’s a myth they’re good for the economy because renters bring everything with them and do not leave their cottages.

Harknett said Lake of Bays and the City of Kawartha Lakes are acting but, “we don’t have anything. The County doesn’t have to reinvent the wheel here. We just need to talk to other municipalities to find out how this is done. I’m asking you guys not to kick this can down the road... it’s time. Let’s get this done.”

Highlands East was the first township to discuss possible regulation of the industry in 2018. Algonquin Highlands briefly flirted with it as well. However, it has rested at the County level for years now. Despite there being draft bylaws, with legal opinions, County council has yet to pull the trigger, although Warden Liz Danielsen said they are close.

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Out of County businesses, such as Airbnb, are benefitting from short-term rentals, resident Phil Harknett says. *File.*

# County considers a contractor

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Much of last week's meeting was devoted to the topic. Director of planning, Steve Stone, said since the early days of municipalities implementing STR programs, there have been "a number of third-party services arising to help assist municipalities in rolling out and regulating the program." He said the companies pinpoint where STRs are, from advertising and agencies. He estimated there are close to 1,500 in the County. He said they would contact operators about licensing. They send out e-forms, such as a code of conduct, verifying inspections for Ontario Building Code, fire compliance, and septic system performance. They also monitor compliance and have a 24/7 complaint hotline. They also contact municipal staff for follow-up. CAO Mike Rutter confirmed he and lower-tier CAOs had met with a third-party provider. He added the cost of hiring them would be significantly less than program revenue. Coun. Murray Fearrey said, "I certainly like this approach. It's going to take a tremendous load off staff here." He also wanted onus on the property owner to say he or she has complied, with possible spot checks. Rutter said the idea is a self-attestation of criteria being met followed by an audit over four or five years of all properties.

Coun. Cec Ryall said they could use demerit points for "verifiable trust." Coun. Bob Carter said if they went with that, they could go directly to licensing and not need registration. He added no taxpayer dollars should go into the program, but it should be paid for by STR owners. Fearrey also felt they should implement a municipal accommodation tax at the same time. A final decision has yet to be made on a MAT tax. MAT provides funding for the tourism industry, as well as programs and services for visitors. During the meeting, council also revisited the draft bylaws, determining they would license for a year; allow two people per bedroom, one parking spot per bedroom - with appropriate septic - appeals going to the County; not renting out bunkies as separate rentals; and demerit points for offences with three leading to license suspension. Council voted to put out a request for information from a third party, have director of economic development, Scott Ovell, update a MAT tax report, and make amendments to the licensing bylaw for a future meeting. Danielsen said: "we made some good steps today, really moving ahead."

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# HHHS acting CEO 'here to change the culture'

By Lisa Gervais

Haliburton Highlands Health Services (HHHS) acting president and CEO, Veronica Nelson, made some concessions during a town hall meeting in Minden June 29, in which she struggled with her emotions following intense questioning by the public.

She reiterated HHHS' position it consolidated ED services in Haliburton due to a lack of staffing, particularly nurses, and it chose Haliburton because it had 15 in-patient beds.

Nelson also said the Minden Hospital remains open and offers long-term care, diagnostics such as x-rays, and bone densitometry, outpatient programs, such as an adult day program, social recreation, exercises for seniors, nursing foot care, physiotherapy, diabetes education, telemedicine, GAIN, and a mental health outreach program. She added they were looking to partner on other possibilities for the hospital site.

"It's open for business. Our hospital in Minden is still very busy." She noted the helipad is remaining open for emergencies as well.

The Kawartha North Family Health Team (KNFHT) urgent care clinic opened June 30 in the former ED site. It will operate weekends until it can be fully staffed seven days a week, she said.

Nelson was asked about "ballooning wait times" at the Haliburton ED since consolidation June 1. She presented data indicating that between June 1-26, wait times to first assessments by a doctor, by all patients, averaged 0.9 hours. She said the length of stay in the ED for low-urgency patients averaged 2.1 hours, with 91 per cent

finished within four hours.

For high urgency, she said average stays were 4.3 hours, with 86 per cent finished within eight hours.

She noted most rural hospitals are not mandated to report their wait times. She further said non-life-threatening patients, using the example of a person with a fish hook in their finger, would hopefully go to the Minden urgent care clinic and not the Haliburton ER.

## Nelson challenged

Rev. Joan Cavanaugh challenged the data.

"That's not what I'm hearing on the phone when people are calling me from the waiting room. 'Rev. Joan, can you come? I've been here seven-and-a-half hours, eight hours, nine hours, 13.' Some of them go home. These people aren't calling me and telling me fibs. They're there but your stats are saying three hours and four hour waits. How is that possible, such a difference in what people are saying and the actuality of what's happening?"

Nelson said the stats were an average and it can sometimes take longer when someone presents with a serious trauma, or a heart attack, for instance, and is seen first. "We try our best."

Another woman said she spent 16 hours in the Haliburton ED on June 20 with a appendicitis. Eventually, she called her daughter to drive her to Bracebridge for surgery. "We were assured Haliburton Hospital would be prepared for us. I could have died on the way. I could have died in emerge."

Former HHHS registered nurse, Judy Toye, said she had the staffing numbers for



HHHS acting CEO Veronica Nelson speaks to people at a town hall meeting in Minden June 29. Photo by Lisa Gervais.

Minden prior to closure, "and actually there was enough nursing staff to get through the summer. It was going to be a squeeze but there was enough." She added since the Minden ED closure, there have been many illnesses, stress leaves, sick calls, and people not coming back from maternity leave, "which has left you extremely short now."

She added she moved to Extendicare and they have many former HHHS nurses there. "That speaks to how (HHHS) staff have been treated and the retention of staff. Any answer as to how that is going to improve?" she asked Nelson.

The acting CEO said she could not speak to what had happened prior to arrival, "but I can say that I am here to change the culture and to try to bring those nurses back."

Asked how she would do that, she again talked about improving the culture as well as the services provided and making sure staff get the education and support they need. She said they are also getting back to applicants, a previous criticism.

She noted they are in the process of hiring a new chief nursing executive and a human resources manager. She added they are doing a compensation review to make sure

they are competitive. She said they will emphasize recruitment and retention as they are currently short 12 nurses. She wants to reduce nursing agency staff "to a bare minimum" by Sept. 30 but said they need to get staff to do that.

Jeff Nichols wanted to know why HHHS board chair David O'Brien was not in attendance. "Absolutely zero accountability from this person and it's a complete joke that he appears to not be here." Nelson said O'Brien had a medical appointment.

Richard Bradley told Nelson he understood that she was a "fixer. I challenge you to fix what is broken. You need to fix this. You need to get your staffing up to a level that is sustainable for two emerges. Bring back our doctors, bring back our nurses, bring back our services and put the H back in front of that building.

"That's what your job is and that is what this community, and over 25,000 people clearly stated on a petition. We will not accept 12 hours a week over there (the urgent care clinic) as any substitute."

Next town hall: Haliburton Legion July 25 at 5 p.m.

## Unattached patient clinics

Haliburton Highlands Family Health Team has announced it is offering unattached patient clinics over the summer months for those in the community without a local primary care provider. The clinics are similar to their previous walk-in clinics, however, people must book an appointment.

You can call their office at 705-457-1212 and press option 5 to speak with a member of their team. There will be three clinics each week and they will run from 8 a.m. to noon (days vary each week based on physician availability). They will offer some pre-booked appointments, but the majority will be available the day of.

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**DYSART ET AL NEWS**

**Changes to OP, zoning bylaw coming**

Dysart et al mayor Murray Fearrey said changes to the township’s official plan and zoning bylaw are a “top priority” for council as they try to improve housing options in the community.

At a June 27 meeting, Fearrey asked Dysart planner, Jeff Iles, if there was any way to fast track the process to amend the documents, which must first be ratified by Haliburton County council. Iles said there wasn’t a quick-fire way to process the application, noting it would likely take between three and four months.

The idea, the planner said, is to loosen the rules around secondary dwelling units. These are currently permitted in Dysart in most residential zones, excluding waterfront areas, in the form of basement apartments and semi-detached, duplex and townhouse dwellings. In May, council heard from builder Gary Burtch, who called on the municipality to update its rules and further embrace secondary units.

Iles said consultation with the upper-tier municipality, as well as the public, will be required before any proposed changes are tabled.

Algonquin Highlands updated its official plan and zoning bylaw in 2022 to relax its rules surrounding secondary units, while Minden Hills is also going through the process.

“It’s kind of frustrating when you’re trying to do something but can’t get it done... everyone wants to move forward here as quickly as we can. If we can find a loophole here [to proceed] it would be nice,” Fearrey said.

Senior planner Kris Orsan said staff are moving things along as quickly as they can, noting there’s an official process that needs to be followed to make changes to major

documents such as the official plan. “If a member of the public [submits an] appeal and we’ve been found to not be following the [Ontario] Planning Act, that would cause us major delays and would be longer than if we did things the appropriate way,” he said.

**Busy start to septic season**

May was a busy month for Dysart’s bylaw department as it kicked off the 2023 septic reinspection program.

Handled in-house this year, staffers completed more than 170 inspections across 16 days in May, according to Bri Quinn, program lead. Homes were tested on 14 lakes, including Grass, Head, Drag and Kashagawigamog lakes.

Quinn said 41 systems were deemed high-risk, which indicates a major failure or capacity issues, with 58 designated as medium risk, requiring pump outs or parts replaced.

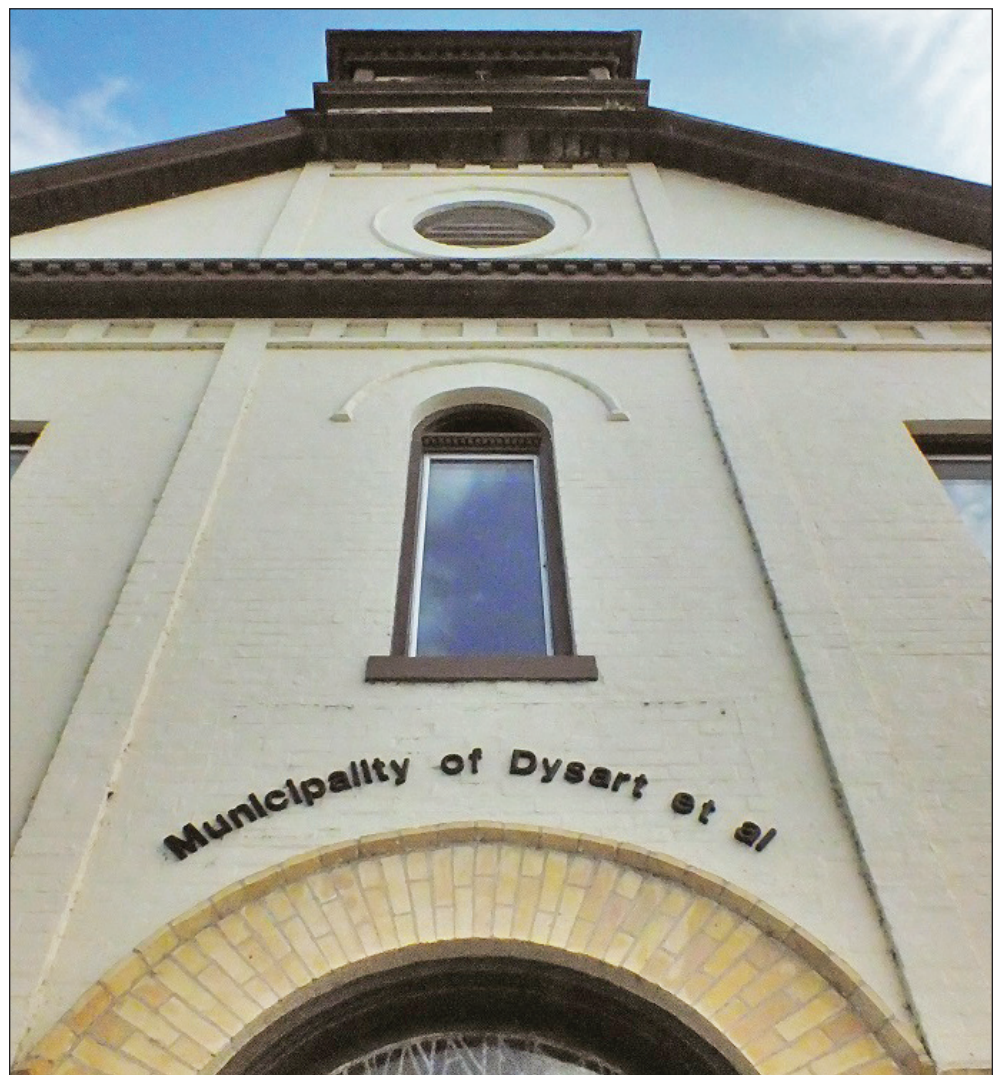
She noted June had been “even busier” as staff work towards a goal of inspecting more than 1,000 properties this year.

**Road considerations**

A new yield sign will be placed at the intersection of Sand Point and Indian Point roads after a resident reported a near miss at the junction last month.

Suzanne Montgomery wrote to council asking for the road sign after telling how she and her family were almost t-boned by a car while driving along Indian Point Road June 10. While initially putting the incident down to driver error, Montgomery said inspection of the intersection the next day showed a lack of any yield or stop sign in either direction was to blame.

Public works director, Rob Camelon, said this was the first complaint the township



Dysart council wants to update its official plan and zoning bylaw. *File.*

had received about a near miss in the area. He said a stop sign could be installed, but council would need to draft a bylaw and provide proper notice to the community. He noted a yield sign could be installed immediately.

Another request, to reduce the speed

limit along Loon Lake Road, was deferred. Camelon said results from a system-wide speed limit study will be presented to council in the fall, recommending any changes be held off until that report is released. (*Dysart et al news compiled by Mike Baker*).

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Above: Welcoming Song by Jared Tait. Right: Teaching in the learning space, left to right: Liz Stone, Lanny O'Connor, Xavier Massé, and Clorise Taylor. Photos by Kimberly Strong-Knight.

# HSAD unveils new indigenous space

By Kimberly Strong-Knight

Fleming College has opened a space for indigenous students to “hang out with each other, or just be themselves, to build community within the community,” said Clorise Taylor, manager of indigenous services at the college during a June 30 opening.

Many staff members, Haliburton School of Art + Design dean Xavier Massé, and community members attended the open house last Friday.

They were welcomed into the lounge space, and given a chance to explore the learning lodge which was built in the spring.

“The learning lodge is a space that is meant for teaching and learning,” said Liz Stone, vice president of indigenous knowledge and relations at Fleming. “Each sapling that was used to build this means something, levels of learning, teaching moments among others. And, those who built this last spring are responsible for coming back and teaching those who build the next one, in the spring.” Stone added with the Truth and

Reconciliation call to action, the United Nations Declaration of Rights of Indigenous peoples, and the Indigenous Education protocol, which was signed in 2015, it is her job to make sure the college is accountable. “Part of the accountability was the creation of my positions in the college; first a faculty member and now the VP of knowledge and relations.”

The college has spaces in each of its campuses specifically for indigenous students and they are all named Biindigen which is Anishinaabe for “welcome.” However,

Haliburton was the last to complete one.

A mural in the new area was done by Jared Tait, a woodland artist from Thunder Bay. He said he and his wife and new baby moved into the space for about three days to complete the piece. “There were cots, tables, snacks, and diapers everywhere,” the artist laughed. “I sketched it out freehand in about 20 minutes, took a day to colour block and then about two days to complete.” The mural depicts a new life being welcomed into the space, with creatures and nature. The artist called it *Welcoming Song*.

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MINDEN HILLS NEWS

Bobcaygeon, Scotch Line roads update

Minden Hills council awarded the tender for the reconstruction of parts of Bobcaygeon and Scotch Line roads to Fowler Construction Limited for \$3,984,979.46 plus HST at its June 29 meeting.

In a report to council, director of public works, Mike Timmins, said the road works had been in the planning stages for a number of years.

The project consists of the reconstruction of portions of both roads, as well as ditching, culvert replacements and entrance replacements.

The projects were approved, at a cost of \$3,495,700, in the 2023 capital budget to be funded through debt.

There were three bidders, the others being Four Brothers Construction and Dufferin Construction. Fowler was the lowest cost. Timmins said It's likely the township will pursue funding the debt through Infrastructure Ontario.

During 2023 budget deliberations, council also reallocated \$329,000 in modernization/surplus funding in the roads capital reserve to the project to reduce the amount of debt needed.

As the township will incur third-party engineering costs, the funding in reserves could cover these costs, Timmins added. Also, depending on the progression on the project, construction financing may be necessary, which could be covered through

reserves, he added. The remainder of the modernization funding would be available to reduce the debt associated with construction.

The job is \$559,415.10 over budget, putting the complete construction cost at \$4,055,115. Using a 15-year term and 4.64 per cent interest rate, the annual repayment would be approximately \$378,000, for a total repayment of \$5,673,719. It's estimated that represents an approximate 3.7 per cent increase to the 2023 tax levy. Timmins said the intent is to split that over two years.

Remainder of roadworks

Council awarded the 2023 road resurfacing tender to Miller Paving Ltd for \$1,208,528.52 including HST. Director of finance Greg Bedard said it's 12 per cent under budget.

The township piggybacked onto a County of Haliburton tender.

The proposed road resurfacing program for 2023 includes three categories: double surface treatment for portions of Davis Lake Road and Blairhampton Road; gravel resurfacing for portions of Salerno Lake Road and Scott's Dam Road; and conversion from surface treatment to gravel for Porky's Road, Beer Lake Road and the final portion of Bobcaygeon Road, which was not done last year and won't be part of the larger Bobcaygeon Road project.

Three roads have been removed from the originally proposed capital works plan, Bedard said. Through budget deliberations, the resurfacing of Chandos Street and Lyons Street were funded and completed through



The Minden boardwalk is under reconstruction. File.

existing operating budget funding. Upon further review this spring, he added Ritchie Falls Road is considered to be in better-than-expected shape and is not recommended for resurfacing at this time.

Works were scheduled to begin July 4.

Boardwalk restoration

The restoration of the Minden Hills boardwalk is underway, and remains closed to the public.

The township issued a press release last week, saying, "the public is asked to refrain from entering the construction site, using the boardwalk, or removing any barriers to the area during the restoration period."

It's anticipated the project will take four to six weeks to complete.

The boardwalk has been closed since the spring of 2022 due to its state of disrepair.

During 2023 capital budget deliberations, council earmarked \$180,000 for the boardwalk, as well \$100,000 for restoring the Village Green walkway.

Fireworks on Aug. 6

The fireworks display scheduled for Canada Day evening at the Minden Fairgrounds, as part of the township's celebrations, were postponed due to the current fire ban in effect for the township and the MNRF fire restrictions in place for the province.

The fireworks will be rescheduled for Aug. 6 at the Minden Fairgrounds. Parking will be available in the upper field and can be accessed from Fleming Road (ball diamonds entrance). There will be no parking attendants, and it will be self-parking only. (Minden Hills news compiled by Lisa Gervais).



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## ALGONQUIN HIGHLANDS NEWS

### Housing on the agenda

Algonquin Highlands council is exploring different measures it can take to bring more “attainable” housing to the community.

At its June 15 meeting, councillors discussed ideas such as green lighting tiny home pocket communities, waiving permit fees or donating land for new developments, and proceeding with substantial new build projects of their own as a way of improving the local housing inventory.

“This is some blue sky thinking... there’s a desire on [council’s] part to try and do something with respect to housing,” said mayor Liz Danielsen. “We have a lot of expensive housing here and nothing in between that is attainable.”

Planner Sean O’Callaghan said the township had already made moves to improve the situation. Last summer, council updated its zoning bylaws allowing secondary units in most residential areas. It also reduced the minimum dwelling size for secondary units from around 800 sq. ft. to less than 600 sq. ft.

O’Callaghan said he’s identified several parcels of municipal land that could be ripe for development, some as large as 25 acres. Danielsen suggested council could look at annexing parts of the Stanhope Municipal Airport property for housing, but noted that would likely create transportation issues for potential residents given the location.

The mayor said she’s a fan of high-density stacked housing, pointing to a new 30-storey, 400-unit development in Peterborough as something Algonquin Highlands could look to replicate on a smaller scale.

“It’s extremely cost effective and quickly built. There’s no reason why, if we wanted to move forward with something like that, we couldn’t partner with a builder to make [it happen],” she said.

Housing will form a significant part of the township’s new strategic plan, with work continuing on that document through summer, said CAO Angie Bird.

### Changes to blue box recycling

Environmental coordinator, Melissa Murray, said the transition date transferring responsibility for collecting blue box recyclables away from the municipality is coming early next year.

Non-profit Circular Materials has made an offer to the township to take over hauling and processing of materials as of March 31, 2024. Murray said negotiations are ongoing.

In 2021, the Ontario government introduced legislation requiring producers to take responsibility for disposing of blue box

recyclables provincewide. They have been given until Dec. 31, 2025 to strike agreements with municipal collectors to ensure services at existing collection sites are maintained, or establish new collection sites.

Murray noted there will be substantial cost savings to the township. One potential red flag, she notes, is the contamination rate – items residents place in blue boxes that shouldn’t be there. Circular Materials has set that rate at four per cent in its latest offer, while the actual number in Algonquin Highlands last year was around 12 per cent.

Council decided it wanted to opt into an agreement with Circular Materials, directing Murray to continue negotiations with a view to bringing a deal back for approval later this year.

### Library talks

Algonquin Highlands wants to work with the Haliburton County Public Library to re-establish book drop-off and collection services at the Dorset Recreation Centre once the facility reopens.

Deputy mayor Jennifer Dailloux said a locker system inside the building, which residents could access at any time the facility is open, would be ideal.

Chris Card, parks, recreation, and trails manager, said there was a book drop depot in operation at the centre pre-COVID. He said people could order a book, have it transferred to Dorset, pick it up and drop it off when finished.

“It was going quite well,” he said. “We would plan to continue with that type of process.”

Coun. Julia Shortreed wondered if one of the downstairs meeting rooms could be transitioned into a mini library. Danielsen said she was wary of signing off on anything that could delay renovations, slated for completion later this year. She said it would be beneficial to have Chris Stephenson, CEO of the local library system, at a future meeting to discuss options.

### Landing over budget

Council has agreed to stump up an additional \$116,796 to complete the rehabilitation of the Skin Lake boat landing this year.

Card said the township received one bid to complete the work, from Tulloch Engineering, for a total cost of \$198,610 – more than double the \$81,814 Card said was remaining in the project’s budget. He estimated the rebuild would run approximately \$102,000 in the 2023 budget.

He presented several options to council to bring the cost down, but there was concern it could cause delays now and down the road. “We’re already behind the eight ball on



Algonquin Highlands mayor Liz Danielsen said the township needs to do more to bring additional housing to the community. *File.*

this... and we have other [landings] we have to do,” Danielsen said.

Through the rehabilitation, workers will remove the existing retaining wall and cantilevered dock, naturalize the shoreline using river stone, and install a gangway to a floating dock system, which will be attached to a concrete abutment. Signage will also be improved in the area.

Card said the project will be completed later this year.

### Septic setback

Bylaw officer, Greg Moore, said the township still has around 475 properties requiring some sort of remedial work to bring their septic systems up to compliance.

The township concluded a five-year septic reinspection program last summer, with Moore saying approximately 1,600 systems were flagged for repair. To date, around 70 per cent of those systems had been addressed. He told council staff wanted to see the remaining systems brought up to par this year.

“We have to compel that to be done... all residents have already been sent an [initial] letter and a follow up,” Moore said, noting the next step was to send an official order to comply.

Should residents not respond, council granted Moore authority to complete any repair up to a cost of \$10,000, with the money to be tagged onto next year’s residential tax bill. He estimated there are around 160 properties where this may be necessary. The work will be contracted out. *(Algonquin Highlands briefs compiled by Mike Baker).*



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Close short-term rental file

Last October, *The Highlander* wrote about the use of third-party contractors for short-term rental registration and licensing. The newspaper interviewed Lake of Bays director of building and bylaw services, Stephen Watson. He discussed their working arrangement with a company called Granicus. A number of municipalities use third parties. It's not a secret and isn't rocket science. Watson said Granicus helped them locate advertisements for STRs in their area, of which there are more than 200. Granicus then sent letters to owners about registration and licensing. Lake of Bays also hired a short-term rental co-ordinator, who deals with licensing applications, answers general questions, and does site visits, so bylaw staff do not have to. When it comes to complaints, people can email, text or phone Granicus 24 hours a day. The company gets in touch with the person deemed contactable for the property under licensing. If it's a noise complaint, for example, Granicus will get in touch with that person in one hour and tell them to address the issue, so bylaw is not needed, unless the responsible person doesn't take care of the problem. In that *Highlander* story, Watson added he

was more than happy to share Lake of Bays' experience with the County of Haliburton. That was eight months ago, and yet the County only discussed the possible use of a third-party contractor at its June 28 meeting. To say the process of getting short-term rentals registered and licensed in the County of Haliburton has been slow is a vast understatement. It's been excruciatingly long. And with council dragging its heels for another summer, it won't be until 2024 before the industry may be finally regulated in the Highlands. This all started in Highlands East in 2018. They were unable to pull the trigger. Algonquin Highlands took a crack in 2020. Again, no result. The can got kicked to the County but it's been years in the non-making. Yes, strides have been made. There have been draft registration and draft licensing bylaws. There have been legal reviews. And, yes, there was a municipal election that slowed down the process. But the fact we have an upper-tier County and four lower-tier municipal governments is not helping to move this process along. There are still jurisdictional issues to be dealt with. It is taking far too long and neighbours of short-term rentals will endure another season of having their lifestyles impacted. It's another summer of short-term rentals putting

undue stress on septic systems and lakes. Owners are laughing all the way to the bank – as are short-term rental companies based in places such as California. There are a number of important issues on the County table, but this is arguably the most important to a number of County residents. While the County is planning a request for information to find out more about a third-party provider, it has already spoken to – for example, to see if the firm can handle work with an estimated 1,500 STRs in the Highlands – we implore council to complete this file. It appears they want every question answered, every I dotted and every T crossed. However, bylaws are living documents. They can be changed. The County will not really know how its STR program will work until it begins. It is then that troubleshooting and alterations can be made. As one resident said at last week's council meeting ... 'let's get it done.'



By Lisa Gervais

Never too old to learn something new

I am a lifelong learner. I have returned to post-secondary school, as a mature learner more than once, for a variety of reasons. I had a variety of different jobs, interspersed with formal education, which included such things as: server, cook, hostess, bank teller, freelance journalist/photographer, personal support worker, teacher, and professor. So, I am a firm believer in the saying that, "you are never too old to learn something new." Growing up in a small town around Georgian Bay was fabulous. The close-knit community of smaller places is hard to beat. Everyone was involved in everything. It was there that I discovered a passion for the theatre. It started at an early age which led me to pursue my first post-graduate diploma in Theatre Arts at Niagara College. Another passion at the time was writing. I returned to Niagara College to complete a diploma in Journalism which led me on a nine-year journey to a variety of places in Ontario, and various publications. I got to write about everything from sports to music. I even had a

chance to write as the program co-ordinator for the Barrie Jazz and Blues festival from its humble beginnings, and watch it grow and flourish. While writing for different newspapers, I was also able to use my insider knowledge of the theatre to write in-depth stories about different theatre companies, their shows as well as their educational programs. A number of years later, the prospect of pursuing my teaching certification, and my Bachelor of Arts degree, presented itself. While completing my degree, I was recruited to do my teaching certification in Glasgow, Scotland which provided me with two teachable subjects, English and Drama. I remained in the UK and taught English, Media Studies, and Drama at the high school level for six years, which was an extraordinary experience. While teaching in Scotland, I designed and developed a Media Studies program for senior students. I travelled to England and was asked to design and develop a Media Studies program

for intermediate levels at the high school. Upon returning to Ontario, I taught at Georgian College, and had a teaching assistant position at Brock University while I completed my Masters of Education. I have been teaching some form of English for close to 20 years at various levels; high school, college, and university. A chance to re-connect with a busy and dynamic small community, Haliburton Highlands, has brought me full circle and I am looking forward to getting out and about, meeting the people that make this area what it is, a fabulous community nestled in one of the most picturesque places. Kimberley Strong-Knight has joined the *Highlander* as a contributor.



By Kimberley Strong-Knight

The Highlander welcomes all contributions, however we wish to remind readers of the following: Letters to the editor policy

- Letters should be exclusive to *The Highlander*. We do not publish letters also addressed to other media outlets, open letters, letters to third parties, or cc'd letters.
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EYE ON THE STREET: What are you most looking forward to this summer?

By William Lebo



Corrinne Howell

Cobourg

Getting into Haliburton as much as possible.



Maureen Adams

Haliburton

Having my grandkids visit.



Jane Ballantine

Toronto

Having my family visit at the cottage.



Dave Howe

Haliburton

Playing tennis in the nice weather.



Alex Ambridge

Eagle Lake

Having the fire ban lifted for campfires.

LETTERS

Countywide fire ban

Dear editor,

It is unfortunate that stores are still being allowed to continue the selling of fireworks during this dangerous fire season.

Obviously, people purchase fireworks with the intention of setting them off.

I live on the edge of Queen Elizabeth II Wildlands Park. There are cliffs there that are a popular, secluded party spot. On July 2, with total disregard to the fire ban and those of us that live in the area, fireworks were set off just as the party was wrapping up.

A call to the park warden was useless. I reached a recorded message asking me to leave a message. It would be helpful if *The Highlander* would publish a detailed phone list of the agencies that the public should call to report abuse of the ban. Better still, close down these secluded party areas until the fire danger has been lifted.

D. Watson  
Minden

Thrown to the wolves

Dear editor,

Last Thursday, a large, upset crowd filled a room at the recreation centre in Minden.

I had to call a local council member to find out the time and place because the meeting was only advertised on Facebook, a platform many of us purposely avoid.

Rather than being able to ask questions of the people who made the decision to close our hospital, acting CEO Veronica Nelson was thrown to the wolves.

Ms. Nelson is from Lindsay, was nowhere near the area when all this hit the fan, and did an amazing job of responding as best she could to the queries.

Those responsible for this travesty should be ashamed of themselves. HHHS board chair, Mr. David O’Brien, you led the charge, so you should be the one who faces the crowd in Haliburton in a couple of weeks.

Or will you, conveniently, have another appointment to keep you away?

Pat Brezina  
Minden

PHOTO OF THE WEEK



Fred Pyziak has been getting a pair of swans the past two years at his house on the Drag River.

Gill excited about covering the community

Hi, my name is Jaxon Gill. I am a summer student reporter with *The Highlander*. Having lived in the Highlands since 2016, I am excited to bring you the latest updates on community events and happenings.

In 2016, I attended Archie Stouffer Elementary School for Grade 8 and then moved on to attend Haliburton Highlands Secondary School for Grade 9 and 10. While sports have always played a significant role in my life, HHSS unfortunately did not have a lacrosse team. However, I didn’t let that stop me from playing the game.

I started my lacrosse journey in Lindsay, playing for the Kawartha Lakes Fury, and later joined a travel based team in Newmarket. It was there that I discovered greater opportunities, including the chance to attend a prep school in the United States. With the guidance of my coaches, I enrolled at Christchurch School, in Virginia, just before the COVID-19 pandemic hit.

Like many others, I transitioned to online learning during that time. However, the following year, I was able to return to Christchurch in-person and really experience what playing lacrosse year-round was like. I completed the next two years of high school there. With the help of my coaches, I was able to be recruited to play Division

1 Lacrosse for Quinnipiac University in Connecticut.

Currently, I have completed my first year at Quinnipiac, where I am pursuing a major in Computer Informations Systems. Although my focus in school is more business and technology-based, my interest for journalism comes from a journalism class that I took in my first semester. When I learned that *The Highlander* was seeking a summer student, I wasted no time in reaching out to them.

Throughout the summer, I am excited to attend and cover a wide range of events in the Haliburton Highlands. From the local school graduation ceremonies to volunteer initiatives, farmers markets, and various community gatherings.

If you spot me at any of these events, please don’t hesitate to approach me. I would love to have conversations about upcoming events and any newsworthy stories that deserve a place in our newspaper. I look forward to coming out to events this summer.



By Jaxon Gill





Notice of a Second Public Meeting  
Concerning a Zoning By-Law Amendment  
Part Lot 27, Concession 4, Minden (PLZBA2023008)

**TAKE NOTICE THAT** the Township of Minden Hills has received a complete application under Section 34 of The Planning Act to amend the Township's Zoning By-law. The site-specific amendment applies to a portion of the property located in Part Lot 27, Concession 4, Geographic Township of Minden, being a vacant lot on Crofters Lane and located on Kashagawigamog Lake (see Key Map on reverse side).

**Purpose and Effect:** The subject property is currently zoned 'Shoreline Residential (SR)' and is located within the Waterfront designation of the Township's Official Plan. The proposed zoning by-law amendment would serve to rezone the lands from 'Shoreline Residential (SR)' to 'Shoreline Residential-Exception (SR-E)' in order to permit development of the vacant lot in the form of a single-detached dwelling with a basement having a setback of 12 metres to the high-water mark of the lake, together with an attached deck.



**And Take Notice** that the Township of Minden Hills will be holding a **Second Public Meeting**, to ensure complete public consultation in accordance with The Planning Act. The Public Meeting is an opportunity for Council to hear and consider comments related to the proposed amendment. Any member of the public may speak in favour, or opposition to, the proposed amendment during the Public Meeting.

**Date and Location of Public Meeting – PLZBA2023008**

**Date:** Thursday, July 27, 2023  
**Time:** 9:00 AM  
**Location:** This will be a hybrid meeting. Members of the public may attend either in person or virtually via Zoom. Details are provided below.

**To Attend in Person:**

**Location:** Members of the Public wishing to watch the meeting in person can do so by attending the Township Council Chambers, located at 7 Milne Street, Minden.

**To Participate:** Members of the public wishing to participate and make comment/speak at the public meeting must pre-register by emailing [admin@mindenhills.ca](mailto:admin@mindenhills.ca) by Wednesday July 26th before 4:00 PM or by registering the morning of the meeting before 8:30 AM in the Council Chambers.

**To Attend Virtually:**

**To Watch:** Members of the Public wishing to watch the meeting can do so by joining the Meeting Live Stream Link: : <https://youtube.com/live/Hj1P19a4vKM?feature=share>

**To Participate:** Members of the public wishing to participate and make comment/speak at the Public Meeting must: pre-register by emailing [admin@mindenhills.ca](mailto:admin@mindenhills.ca) by Wednesday July 26th before 4:00 PM or by attending electronically and registering the morning of the meeting before 8:30 AM. Once registered, participants will automatically be placed into a holding room and brought into the meeting as permitted by the Chair.

**Participants registering either virtually or in person after 8:30 AM** will not be permitted into the public meeting.

To attend the Zoom virtual meeting via Web, type <https://zoom.us/join> or <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88936147868?pwd=YUFsWXFvNldTaEMrTW55VE5kaXJiQT09> into your browser or attend by dialing the number below:  
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**Written Submissions** either in support of or opposition to the application must be received prior to the Public Meeting and can be submitted to [admin@mindenhills.ca](mailto:admin@mindenhills.ca)

**Please Note:** We encourage those wishing to view the meeting to also download the agenda, as it will not be displayed during the streaming process. **Meeting agendas can be downloaded by visiting the Township website at:** <https://www.mindenhills.ca/council/>. The live-stream link provided for each meeting will only be activated while Council is in session.

**Additional Information** regarding the proposed Amendment is available to the public for inspection at the Municipal Office located at 7 Milne Street by appointment. For more information about this matter, including information about preserving your appeal rights, contact the undersigned at [admin@mindenhills.ca](mailto:admin@mindenhills.ca) or by phone at 705-286-1260 (ext. 506).

**Any Person** may attend the public meeting and/or make written or verbal representation either in support of or in opposition to the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment.

**If a Person Or Public Body** does not make oral submission at a public meeting or make written submission to the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills before the by-law is passed, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision of the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills to the Ontario Land Tribunal.

**If a Person Or Public Body** does not make oral submissions at a public meeting, or make written submissions to the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills before the by-law is passed, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Land Tribunal unless, in the opinion of the Tribunal, there are reasonable grounds to do so.

**If You Wish to Be Notified** of the decision of the Township of Minden Hills in respect to the proposed zoning by-law amendment, you must submit a written request to the Township of Minden Hills at [admin@mindenhills.ca](mailto:admin@mindenhills.ca).

**Accessibility:** The Township of Minden Hills is committed to providing services as set out in the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005. If you have accessibility needs and require alternative formats or other accommodations, please contact the undersigned.

**Privacy Disclosure:** As one of the purposes of the Planning Act is to provide for planning processes that are open and accessible, all written submissions, documents, correspondence, e-mails or other communications (including your name and address) form part of the public record and may be disclosed/made available by the Township as deemed appropriate, including anyone requesting such information. Please note that by submitting any of this information, you are providing the Township with your consent to use and disclose this information as part of the planning process.

**Dated** this 5th day of July, 2023  
Trisha McKibbin, Clerk/CAO  
7 Milne Street, P.O. Box 359  
Minden, ON  
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## COUNTY OF HALIBURTON NEWS

### EORN update

EORN CEO Jason St. Pierre updated County council June 28 on the Cell Gap Project. He said Rogers is working on upgrading existing, and building new, towers across eastern Ontario.

“As vehicles move along a roadway, signal strength decreases the further you get away from the cell tower you are connected to,” St. Pierre said of the need. “Unless there is another tower further up the road, your call will drop. New towers are required to fill in the gaps to avoid dropped calls.”

In Haliburton specifically, he said 19 of 21 tower upgrades are completed. However, there are no completed tower builds out of a planned 31. Rogers has land use authority for 10 of the 31 needed. They have done one of four co-locations.

St. Pierre said it can be an 18-to-24-month process, as they first have to find a property that meets the needs of the network. They then have to negotiate a lease. There are archaeological and natural heritage assessments. They have to follow municipal land use authority, notify the province the site is ready, prepare the site, order and get supplies and begin construction.

Ultimately, Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada (ISED) has

the authority under the Radiocommunication Act to approve each site on which radio apparatus, including towers, may be located and to approve the erection of all masts, towers and other antenna-supporting structures, he added.

### Health unit costs skyrocket

Coun. Cec Ryall told council that between eliminating one-time COVID funding, and having a laundry list of mandatory requirements, the Ontario government is putting a squeeze on the HKPR district health unit going into 2024. He said there is a new funding formula of 70 per cent provincial and 30 per cent municipal, up from 75-25.

As a result, Ryall said the health unit is predicting a \$1.9 million shortfall. He said Haliburton County’s portion of the deficit would be 11 per cent, or an additional \$209,000, on top of the \$604,000 they already give the health unit.

Council is backing the board of health in writing to the minister of health about the anticipated financial constraints facing it for next year, and seeking additional funding. *(County of Haliburton news compiled by Lisa Gervais).*



Dr. Nell Thomas, front, led the charge. *Submitted.*

### Constituents put heat on Schmale

Dr. Nell Thomas of Minden helped organize a #CanadalsBurning protest outside the office of Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock MP Jamie Schmale’s office June 28. Twenty people gathered outside the office at 68 McLaughlin Rd. in Lindsay. Thomas said it was to “lend our voices to this urgent call for an immediate end to fossil fuel subsidies and a just transition to 100 per cent renewable energy. Together, we bring the heat to our federal leaders because without an immediate end to fossil fuels, science clearly tells us there is no livable future.” More than 30 towns and cities, from Port Alberni to Antigonish, came together as more than 490 fires in nine provinces and two territories blanket the skies with smoke. More than 100,000 Canadians have evacuated their homes and almost 19 million acres of forests have so far been affected in what is described as the country’s worst wildfire season. *(Lisa Gervais).*



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Top left: HHSS letter winners, Ava Allaire, Avery Horner, Sophie Longo, Colleen Petric, Matthew Wilson, Emmerson Wilson. Top right: Principal Jennifer Mills and Georgia Code. Middle left: Trustee Gary Brohman and Owen Nicholls. Middle right: Mills and Spencer Bowker. Above: Mills and Hannah Gartshore. Right: Noa Yates flexing on stage. *Photos By Jaxon Gill.*

# Hal High grads start their next chapters

**By Jaxon Gill**

Haliburton Highlands Secondary School held its 2023 graduation June 29. This year's graduating class had 105 students. Graduate Brooklyn Sidsworth sang the national anthem at the ceremony.

The graduation was filled with laughter and tears as the grads start the next chapter of their lives. Vice principal Martin Gage kicked off the ceremony followed by some advice from principal Jennifer Mills.

Mills told the graduates, "even though you now don't have our guidance, it is okay

to ask for help, it shows a great amount of strength to ask for help when you need it." She added, "every little detail matters just like in Mrs. Klose's math class."

Trustee Gary Brohman, a former HHSS principal, advised students to, "be resilient when life gets tough... And don't forget, "Once a hawk always a hawk."

During the honours and awards section, dozens of HHSS graduates received individual subject awards, school letters, certifications in specialist high skills major, extended French certificates, certificates in

technological education or being a member of the honour society and achieving an 80 per cent average in their graduating year.

Even though many students were awarded, a few graduates stuck out by winning multiple awards. Sophie Longo garnered 11 gongs, with some of those being the Honours Society, the Gary G. Brohman award for student leadership, and the Governor General's Academic award for the student graduating with the highest overall average. Mya Jones, Matthew Wilson, Hunter Barry, and Colleen Petric also received multiple

awards at the ceremony.

Valedictorian, Matthew Wilson, told his fellow graduates, "in life, we often talk about formality, how we should dress a certain way and act a certain way. All that is a lie, everyone is unique in their own way, this is exemplified through our time here at Hal High."

He finished his address by saying, "as we stepped on the stage today, our time here has officially come to an end, but as we walk across the stage and down those steps, it marks the start of our next chapter."





Left: Alexis Fleming, left, couldn't contain her enthusiasm for award winners. Right: Keagan Badger celebrates his athletic award. *Photos by Lisa Gervais.*

## 'It's been a slice, guys'

**By Lisa Gervais**

Wilberforce Elementary School kicked off this year's graduation parade with a ceremony at the Lloyd Watson Community Centre June 22.

Highlands East mayor Dave Burton congratulated students, teachers, parents, and everyone involved, saying, "teamwork is alive and well in Highlands East."

He remarked on a sign at the entrance to the

community centre that said 'the adventure begins,' commenting, "it certainly is beginning for you. Set your goals, work hard and enjoy every minute of it."

Echoing trustee Gary Brohman, he added his advice for them going to high school is, "go to class. Go to class. Go to class."

Valedictorians Keagan Badger and Aiden Smith talked about how they and their peers had "grown, changed and succeeded as a

group" before wrapping up with, "it's been a slice, guys," and "let's keep pushing forward together."

This year's graduating class:

- Keagan Badger, valedictorian and athletic award.
- Kylee Bailey McLeod, most improved award.
- Ryder Bortolazzo, sportsmanship award.
- Nevaya Carisse, growth in literacy award.

- Ana Fillier, mathematics and citizenship award.
- Alexis Flemming, Elementary Teacher Federation of Ontario Award (ETFO).
- Tylson Plumley, the arts award.
- Aiden Smith, principal's award/Taylor Donaldson leadership award.
- Gavin Trumble, perseverance award.
- Anthony Belmonte, French award.
- Adrian, literacy and academic award.

## Being around kids keeps her young and happy

**By Lisa Gervais**

After 30 years of educational work, 26 of them in Highlands East, Barbara Davies oversaw her last graduations June 22 and June 23 as she embarks upon retirement.

Well, semi-retirement, that is.

Davies has been principal of Wilberforce Elementary School and Cardiff Elementary School the past two years following the retirement of Elaine Fournier.

"This is retirement as of June 30," Davies said shortly after the Lloyd Watson Centre emptied last Thursday following the Wilberforce grad.

She started her three-decade career as an occasional teacher in Cardiff. She was then hired full-time in Wilberforce as a teacher of Grade 1 and 2 "for quite a few years."

After she had her own children, she went to part-time and became a Kindergarten teacher.

Then, with the principal of Wilberforce ES retiring, the school board asked if she would also step up as the TTA, or training and technical assistant, to help with administration on the days she was not teaching Kindergarten. She did that for a few years.

Then she transitioned into a vice-principal role, going to J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School in Haliburton for four years. She moved back to Wilberforce and Cardiff as

principal a couple of years back.

"It's bittersweet," she said of the end of the full-time work. "It was a really tough decision for me to retire because I love my two schools. I love the kids. I thought, 'maybe I'll stay for one more year'. And then as time went on, and my husband's retired, I thought 'yeah, I guess maybe it's time for me to retire.' So, I made the decision."

However, she said because "I love kids so much" she is going to supply teach at both schools for the 2023-24 school year. She will be able to pick her hours and her days.

"I still need to be around kids and they keep me young and they keep me happy, so I love kids, so that's what I plan on doing next year."

Nonetheless, this time of the year has brought "lots of mixed emotions. It went quickly. My heart and soul are in Wilberforce and Cardiff because that's where I'm from. I grew up in Wilberforce. I went to Kindergarten at Cardiff school as a student. I went to Wilberforce school from Grade 1 to 4. Then I went to JDH, so part of me was in Haliburton, as well. So, it was really wonderful to be teaching and being an administrator at schools that I was a student in. It was quite a feeling."

Davies said Karyn Linton Marra will be taking over as principal of the schools next year.



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Left: Leanne Sidsworth smiling brightly after receiving her diploma. Right: Lincoln Holden and Jordyn Hurd receiving the Citizenship award. *Photos by Jaxon Gill.*

# JDH turns 50 this graduating year

By Jaxon Gill

J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School in Haliburton held its Grade 8 graduation in the gymnasium June 27. This year was a special year because it's the 50th birthday of JDH.

Principal David Waito, vice principal Gord Wood, and Haliburton area school board trustee, Gary Brohman, had some words of wisdom for the graduates.

Brohman said, "life's not easy, high school is a major jump. Celebrate all the great things that happen. When things get tough, don't shut the door."

Before announcing the award recipients, Waito had some kind words for the graduates. "We are so proud of all of you. The best places in life are not always easy to get to."

To officially kick off the ceremony, graduate Leanne Sidsworth sang the national anthem. Valedictorian Fynn Gooley added, "we've all learned to bounce back through adversity these last few years." Fynn also shared something from his mother, spoken by Brohman years ago. "There are three rules for high school. Go to class, go to class, go to class."

**Academic excellence awards:**

- Academic Excellence: Josie Morrison, Fynn Gooley
- Outstanding Distinction: Deagan Davison, Maxime Little
- Citizenship: Jordyn Hurd, Lincoln Holden
- Female Athlete of the Year: Veronica Heasman, Addyson Parish
- Male Athlete of the Year: Fynn Gooley
- Canadian Parents for French: Jordyn

Titus, Madelyne Lafleur

- Rising Star: Harper Gooley, Gavin Vivian, Kyle Akey

**Subject Award winners, presented June 23 at the JDH assembly:**

- Visual Arts: Sophia Burke, Alivia Brown
- Media Arts: Josie Morrison, Harper Gooley
- Drama: Zebedee Jones
- English: Josie Morrison, Alivia Brown
- French: Macie Bjelis
- Geography: Shepherd George, Fynn Gooley
- History: Maxime Little, Chloe Morissette
- Math: Deagan Davison, Fynn Gooley
- Music: Leanne Sidsworth, Daniel Wheeler
- Physical and Health Education: Atticus Jorritsma, Hudson Horsley
- Science: Maxime Little, Maddy Hubbard


- Dance: Jordyn Hurd, Alexis Dacey
- Core French: Haydyn Aggett, Brady Hamilton


**The Honors Recipients:**

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Top: The students in the library for their traditional pre-grad photo. Above left: The award winners. Above right: The Grade 8 teachers say farewell with a poem.  
Photos by Kimberly Strong-Knight.

# ‘The little things make life special’

**By Kimberly Strong-Knight**

It was an evening of celebration as the Grade 8 classes of Archie Stouffer Elementary School in Minden made their way across the stage to accept their diplomas and awards for completing the first step in their education. Principal Mike Gervais gave them some words of wisdom as they take the next step in their education, high school. “Don’t ever give up. If you are knocked down, get up. If you quit, you fail. If all you do is easy now, it will be harder later.” Gary Brohman, TLDSB trustee, gave a

shout out to the teachers and support staff that helped the graduates get to this point. Master of ceremonies, Michelle Kernohan, told parents and guardians to give themselves a pat on the back. “You all did an outstanding job. You should be proud of yourselves.” Elyse Boisvert, the class of 2023 valedictorian, thanked the teachers and other staff for creating a “supportive and inspiring environment,” and said their efforts do not go unnoticed. “We truly appreciate you.” Her parting words to her peers was to remember the little things, such as sharing a cookie, or holding a door open. “Try to

remember to do one little thing each day to make a difference for yourself, or someone else. That is what makes life so special, the little things.”  
**Award winners this year:**  
• Emma Bush and Elyse Boisvert - Science and Technology  
• Micah Kegel and Christina Weerdenburg - ETFO English award  
• Viliya Ianovskaia and Evelyn Ryan - Math award  
• Jayla Bird and Viliya Ianovskaia - Canadian Parents French award  
• Skylar Wright and Jayla Bird - Arts award

• Holly Crego and Harmony Bliedung - Minden Hills Museum History award  
• Evelyn Ryan and Jacob Mantle - Geography award  
**Honour Awards:**  
• Arcadia Masonic Lodge Award - Emma Bull  
• Alan Walker Memorial Award for Citizenship - Elyse Boisvert  
• Award for Academic Excellence - Viliya Ianovskaia  
• Character Education Award - Christina Weerdenburg and Joshlynn Ruff  
• Sarah Bloomfield Award - Molly Crego





Left: Lori Sargent awarding Madison Robinson with the OSSTF - Academic Award. Right: Teacher Greg Shantz awarding Mauwgan Woods with the Rewa Family Award - Post Secondary. *Photos by Jaxon Gill.*

# Grads overcome obstacles and challenges

**By Jaxon Gill**

Adult & Alternate Education held its graduation at McKecks Tap & Grill June 29. This year's graduating class was smaller than last year's, having only 11 graduates. Superintendent Kim Williams, trustee Gary Brohman, principal Lisa Uuldriks, administrative head Lori Sargent, and teacher Greg Shantz were in attendance. Uuldriks

told the graduates, "take some time today, when you see your names on that diploma, think of all the obstacles and challenges you've had to overcome and where you're heading now."

**Award winners:**

- Mason Duda-OSSTF Co-op Learning Experience
- Nicole Robichaud-CUPE Entrepreneurial Initiative Award

- Madison Robinson-OSSTF - Academic Award
- Colby Vaine-OSSTF Academic Achievement
- Sean Paquin-Joshua Rewa Award - \$100
- Mauwgan Woods-Rewa Family Award - Post Secondary

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Sara Gruppe celebrates the last day of school. *Photo by Jaxon Gill.*

**High fives out the door**

Stuart W. Baker Elementary School held its annual clap out for graduating students June 29. The 66 graduating students walked through the hallways led by their teachers. The students seemed very eager and happy while walking through a tunnel of people. This year, student Madelyn Hutson was awarded the OPC Principal Award. The grads will be moving onto J.D. Hodgson Elementary School next September where they will start Grade 4. Along with the clap out, Stuart Baker farewelled teachers Kelly Davis, who is retiring after 23 years, and Marie-Lee Zahab, retiring after 17 years of teaching. *(Jaxon Gill).*



Top: Max Risk receiving his most improved award from Erin Kennedy. Above: Aubriella Sowden receiving her Grade 2 character award from Miss Krista Patterson. *Photos by Jaxon Gill.*

**‘Can’t stop the feeling’**

Cardiff Elementary School held its Senior Kindergarten and Grade 3 graduation at the Cardiff Community Centre June 23. The Kindergarten class kicked off the graduation by doing their own poem recital. Following that, the Grade 3 graduates performed a song and dance to *Can’t Stop the Feeling* by Justin Timberlake. Awards were presented for each grade during the graduation. *(Jaxon Gill).*

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Alexander Kocot as Steven Kodaly and Kelsey Crowe as Ilona Ritter. Below: Hannah Klose as Amalia Balash. Photos by Kimberly Strong-Knight.

## Musical story of love in a simpler time

By Kimberly Strong-Knight

The Haliburton Summer Festival kicks off its season with *She Loves Me*, a musical all about a simpler time, when romance was innocent, and love could be found in the shop around the corner.

The first of a series of five performances over the next two months is being directed by award-winning actor, Lisa Horner.

She could not say enough about the people she has been working with in Haliburton to get the production ready for opening night. "Everybody is working so hard, it has been a wonderful experience. Everyone has been so nice, and so welcoming."

Horner was called in about a month into rehearsals for the production. She was performing a one-woman show in Winnipeg and returned home for about five days before coming to direct for the festival. "My husband and I own a house in Bancroft, so I was able to go back and forth on one of the most beautiful

drives I have ever done in my life."

The cast, and creative team, have been rehearsing every weekend since early spring to get the production built and staged for opening night, which was July 4.

Horner has directed community theatre in Oshawa, and will be directing *Jenny's House of Joys*, for the Foster Festival in St. Catharines, and now here in Haliburton. She said the cast and crew of *She Loves Me* had been working "crazy hard" behind the scenes as well as in front of the curtain.

She applauded the dedication, from stage manager, Amy Leis, to behind-the-stage people who worked to get the period costuming, and set designer, builders, and painters.

"I was just blown away by what they were doing. We only had about 14 hours a week together and it was incredible what they accomplished on their own. The effort, and the love, and the teamwork going into this is just amazing."

The play runs until July 13 at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion in Haliburton.

More information and tickets can be found on the festival's website: [highlandssummerfestival.on.ca](http://highlandssummerfestival.on.ca).





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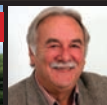
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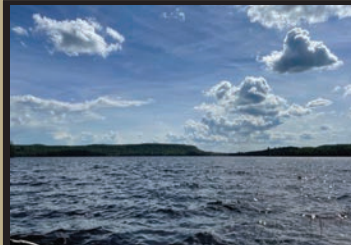
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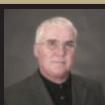
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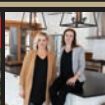
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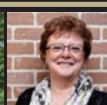
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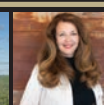
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# Empowering people with cancer in Kenya

By Lisa Gervais

Haliburton resident, Jennifer Ramsdale, was a teenager when she spent a couple of months in South Africa with extended family.

This September, the Fleming prof, Abbey Retreat Centre board member, Lymphedema therapist, and cancer survivor, is heading back to the continent, to Kenya as part of A Fresh Chapter (AFC)

"AFC is an organization that means a lot to me and that I have been involved with since 2020 as a hopeful applicant to their international cross-cultural leadership programs," Ramsdale said.

She added AFC's mission is to empower people impacted by cancer across the globe to heal the emotional scars of the disease.

The Elevate Program she'll participate in is part of a broader mission to build a scalable, sustainable model of support that will help 15,000 Africans affected by cancer by 2025.

After volunteering with AFC since 2020, when the pandemic curtailed their original onsite program planned for September of that year, Ramsdale said she's, "thrilled" to finally be joining Elevate fellows from Kenya, the U.S., and beyond in Nairobi in a few months.

Ramsdale has committed to fundraising \$1,400. It will cover travel costs. Any additional money raised will support AFC continuing work in Kenya. For example, it might go towards workshop costs for Kenyans impacted by cancer in local communities.

She'll be there Sept. 9-22.

Ramsdale came upon AFC through her volunteer work at the Abbey Retreat Centre, when looking at comparable organizations and retreats offered around the world.

"I was really interested in cancer advocacy and the woman who founded A Fresh Chapter is Canadian," Ramsdale said. She added the two hit it off and then she decided to apply for the fellowship.

She said AFC does everything from online workshops of an hour or two, to 10-week virtual program, all free for cancer survivors and caregivers. Post-COVID, she said they are also returning to in-person international retreats.

During the pandemic, part of her

volunteer work involved helping to develop online programming to a Kenyan context,

working with Kenyan cancer advocates and survivors. With

internet poor or non-existent in rural parts of the country, there has also been a shift to more

in-person offerings.

"There's a whole series of workshops that have been delivered in-person in Kenya over the last year-and-a-half." The work has also involved training the trainers in rural areas.

"It's really a leadership development

piece, where

we're working with the team in Kenya

delivering these workshops, to help with things like marketing, messaging and networking. How to increase their impact and how to expand training."

She said another challenge is the diversity in dialects spoken in the country.

Ramsdale noted cancer is a leading cause of death in Kenya, behind HIV-AIDS and because so many people are diagnosed late, with stage four cancers, there is a stigma that it is a death sentence.

As a survivor of stage three breast cancer, Ramsdale would like to help destigmatize the disease and be an example to people that you can emerge from diagnosis and lead a full life.

She's looking forward to meeting some of the people she's been working with over the past few years and hopes to bring back what she learns to her cancer advocacy work in the Highlands.

"Having gone through a cancer diagnosis and treatment gives a perspective. It's about making the most of what you have because none of us is guaranteed anything tomorrow. I think the time in Kenya will be intense and emotional."

See more at AFC Africa Elevate Program Fundraiser or email [jaramsdale@yahoo.com](mailto:jaramsdale@yahoo.com) for direct donations.

Haliburton resident Jennifer Ramsdale is headed to Kenya in September. *Submitted.*



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**Saturday Afternoon - 11:30am to 3:30pm**  
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Association nifty at 50

The Paudash Lake Conservation Association celebrated its 50th anniversary July 1. To mark the occasion, they held their regular Canada Day boat parade, where boats decorated in Canadian flags and colours tour the lake. There were 70 boats. This year, they went to the North Bay Beach where local band ‘Near the Open’ played and a BBQ was held. Nearly 300 people filled the beach for the afternoon, enjoying the great weather, music and food, president Mike Thomas said. (Lisa Gervais).

Left: Jennifer Leduc took this photo of the fireworks display on Canada Day in Norland. Submitted. Above: Local band, Near the Open, performs. Submitted.



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Thank You!

The 50th Anniversary Celebration held on June 23, 24 and 25 was a huge success. Thanks to everyone who made financial donations, prize donations, and of course the volunteers who helped before, during and after the event. Our Legion was very proud to achieve this accomplishment and was honoured with Certificates from both Laurie Scott and Jamie Schmale, our Members of Parliament and from Highlands East Mayor, Dave Burton.

Thanks to all who supported our Branch by purchasing our 50th Anniversary T-Shirts. The Band Half Tuned and accompanying musicians were thoroughly enjoyed Saturday. Special thanks to the 50th Anniversary Committee: Doug MacCoun, Ed DeJong, Tim Mahon, Hank O'Reilly, Kelly De Jong, Dale Bailey, Hilary Klapow and Brenda Gallant for donating their time and hard work. Thanks also to Angela Penn for keeping the media up to date, Mike Baker from the Highlander for his great article and Janet Forsshaw for coming out of retirement to tend bar.

Prizes for the Free Draws were donated by: Agnews General Store, Wilberforce Foodland, South Algonquin Diner, Hilary's Trim'n Floor, Moonlight Bay Campground, Luann Coghtan, Wilberforce Pharmacy, Wilberforce Service Centre, Algonquin Cookhouse, Harcourt Ladies, Wilberforce Legion Kitchen Volunteers, Harcourt General Store, Wilberforce Legion Ladies Auxiliary

Extra thanks go to the following that allowed the Legion to make this a fabulous free event...except for your alcohol. Phil O'Reilly and his accompanying musicians for the Friday night Music, Doug Higgins who made arrangements with Dempsters Bread for the donation of the Hot Dog Buns, Doug MacCoun who contacted Whitewater Brewing for their donation of beer glasses, Tim Mahon who contacted Haven Brewing Co. and Frito Lay for their beer and chips, Dale Bailey who arranged the cakes from Costco and to Costco for the donation of one of their cakes, Barb Davies, the Principal for Wilberforce and Cardiff Elementary Schools and the teachers who organized the childrens' Posters and of course the children. Donations made of homemade Relish. Olga Karassavidis who was on hand with her handmade jewellery, Kathy Rogers for arranging the loan of the large shelter which helped make the weekend and her help during the event, Dan Graham and Steve Mirams for making Candles that we sold before the event, Matka and Bell Pharmacy, Peterborough for the snacks provided for the tables, The Ladies Auxiliary for the Pancake Breakfast that they hosted on Sunday.

Silent Auction from the jersey that Eric Lindros signed brought a donation as did the Poster created by Don Spencer, the lovely Quilt donated by the Harcourt Ladies Quilting Club and the Skill Saw donated by Harcourt Timber Mart.

We must not forget to thank and remember James W. Outram who was our 1st President

**Douglas C. Hatch**  
LEGION Branch 624, Wilberforce  
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We would like to say **THANK YOU** to all our dedicated volunteers, our generous sponsors and to all who have made donations to this years Fair.

It is because of you and your generosity that we are able to have the Haliburton County Fair.

We look forward to next years 160th Birthday Celebration of the Haliburton County Fair.

Thank you all  
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**HHHS Brings Together  
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Emergency services are no longer available at the HHHS Minden site.

This change came into effect on June 1, 2023, as a result of severe and on-going staffing shortages.

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### Places for People pays it forward

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Paytra Mylan-Goulet holding the cheque on behalf of herself, Stephanie Rogers and Tea Yates. Submitted.



### Muslim youth visit Haliburton

After successfully visiting more than 300 towns as part of the ‘Explore Islam’ tour, the Ahmadiyya Muslim Youth Association visited Haliburton June 25. Their campaign includes visiting more than 1,000 cities, towns and villages from coast to coast, “where Canadians will have the opportunity to ask questions about Islam directly from Muslims,” Hassaan Shahid said. They held campaign signs and distributed flyers to residents. Shahid added, “the Muslim youth were able to participate in two-way dialogue and experience the perspectives of local residents.” (Lisa Gervais).

Muslim youth visited Haliburton June 25. Submitted.



## Notice of a Second Public Meeting Concerning Official Plan and Zoning By-Law Amendments Township of Minden Hills

**TAKE NOTICE THAT** pursuant to Sections 16 and 34 of the Planning Act, R.S.O., 1990, as amended, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills will hold a **Second Public Meeting** for both Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendments, which has application to all those lands located within the Township of Minden Hills. As the amendments apply to the Township in its entirety, no key map has been provided.

**Purpose and Effect:** The proposed official plan and zoning by-law amendments if approved will serve to introduce policies and provisions with respect to permitting additional dwelling units within certain land use designations and zone categories, subject to meeting criteria as provided by the *Planning Act*. Official Plan policies are proposed to be further amended to clarify shoreline setbacks for existing developed lots within the Waterfront designation, introduce amendments which may be required to be consistent with provincial legislation as well as to amend consent policies to align with the County of Haliburton Official Plan. A further amendment to the Zoning By-law is also proposed to revise various definitions, intended to provide clarity for implementation of the Zoning By-law, as well as to introduce new provisions for deck setbacks, together with amendments to existing provisions for sleeping cabin, home occupation and non-complying buildings and structures; as well as minor revisions for spelling or typographic errors.

**And Take Notice** that the Township of Minden Hills will be holding a **Second Public Meeting**, to ensure a complete consultation process under the Planning Act and to provide an opportunity for the public to comment on any proposed revisions following the Statutory Public Meeting held on June 29th, 2023. The Public Meeting is an opportunity for Council to hear and consider comments related to the proposed amendments. Any member of the public may speak in favour, or opposition to, the proposed amendments during the Public Meeting.

**Date and Location of Second Public Meeting**

Date: Thursday, July 27, 2023  
Time: 9:00 AM  
Location: This will be a hybrid meeting. Members of the public may attend either in person or virtually via Zoom. Details are provided below.

**To Attend in Person:**

**Location:** Members of the Public wishing to watch the meeting in person can do so by attending the Township Council Chambers, located at 7 Milne Street, Minden.

**To Participate:** Members of the public wishing to participate and make comment/speak at the public meeting must pre-register by emailing [admin@mindenhills.ca](mailto:admin@mindenhills.ca) by Wednesday July 26th before 4:00 PM or by registering the morning of the meeting before 8:30 AM in the Council Chambers.

**To Attend Virtually:**

**To Watch:** Members of the Public wishing to watch the meeting can do so by joining the Meeting Live Stream Link : <https://youtube.com/live/Hj1P19a4vkM?feature=share>

**To Participate:** Members of the public wishing to participate and make comment/speak at the Public Meeting must: pre-register by emailing [admin@mindenhills.ca](mailto:admin@mindenhills.ca) by Wednesday July 26th before 4:00 PM or by attending electronically and registering the morning of the meeting before 8:30 AM. Once registered, participants will automatically be placed into a holding room and brought into the meeting as permitted by the Chair.

To attend the Zoom virtual meeting via Web, type <https://zoom.us/join> or <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88936147868?pwd=YUFsWXFvNldTaEMrTW55VE5kaXJiQT09> into your browser or attend by dialing the number below:  
Telephone: 1-647-374-4685 or 1-647-558-0588  
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Passcode: 373582

**Participants registering either virtually or in person after 8:30 AM** will not be permitted into the public meeting.

**Please Note:** We encourage those wishing to view the meeting to also download the agenda, as it will not be displayed during the streaming process. **Meeting agendas can be downloaded by visiting the** Township website at: <https://www.mindenhills.ca/council/>.

**Written Submissions** either in support of or opposition to the application must be received prior to the Public Meeting and can be submitted to [admin@mindenhills.ca](mailto:admin@mindenhills.ca)

**Any Person** may attend the public meeting and/or make written or verbal representation either in support of or in opposition to the proposed Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendments.

**Additional Information** regarding the proposed Amendments is available to the public for inspection at the Municipal Office located at 7 Milne Street by appointment and will be available online by visiting [www.mindenhills.ca/newsroom](http://www.mindenhills.ca/newsroom). For more information about this matter, including information about preserving your appeal rights, contact the undersigned at [admin@mindenhills.ca](mailto:admin@mindenhills.ca) or by phone at 705-286-1260 (ext. 506).

**If a person or public body** would otherwise have an ability to appeal the decision of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills to the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal but the person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Township of Minden Hills before the proposed official plan amendment is adopted or the by-law with respect to the zoning by-law amendment is passed, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision.

**If a person or public body** does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to Council of the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills before the proposed official plan amendment is adopted or the by-law with respect to the zoning by-law amendment is passed, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal unless, in the opinion of the Tribunal, there are reasonable grounds to add the person or public body as a party.

**If You Wish to Be Notified** of the decision of the Township of Minden Hills in respect to the proposed official plan and zoning by-law amendments, you must submit a written request to the Township of Minden Hills at [admin@mindenhills.ca](mailto:admin@mindenhills.ca).

**Accessibility:** The Township of Minden Hills is committed to providing services as set out in the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005. If you have accessibility needs and require alternative formats or other accommodations, please contact the undersigned.

**Privacy Disclosure:** As one of the purposes of the Planning Act is to provide for planning processes that are open and accessible, all written submissions, documents, correspondence, e-mails or other communications (including your name and address) form part of the public record and may be disclosed/made available by the Township as deemed appropriate, including anyone requesting such information. Please note that by submitting any of this information, you are providing the Township with your consent to use and disclose this information as part of the planning process.

**Dated** this 5th day of July, 2023  
Trisha McKibbin, Clerk/CAO  
7 Milne Street, P.O. Box 359  
Minden, ON  
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PUBLIC NOTICE

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills proposes to consider a by-law to stop up, close, and convey the parcel of lands more particularly described as follows:

- 1. **File No. PLSRA2022042:** Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Twelve Mile Lake, lying in front of 2020 Twelve Mile Lake Road within Part Lot 10, Concession 12, Geographic Township of Minden.
- 2. **File No. PLSRA2022079:** Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Horseshoe Lake, lying in front of 1059 Nawautin Lane within Part Lot 10, Concession 7, Geographic Township of Minden.
- 3. **File No. PLSRA2023003:** Part of original shore road allowance along the shore of Bat Lake, lying in front of 1092 Touchwood Trail within Part Lot 5, Concession 1, Geographic Township of Minden
- 4. **File No. PLSRA2023011:** Part of original shore road allowance along the shore of Kashagawigamog Lake, lying in front of 1067 Halikash Lane within Part Lot 23, Concession 4, Geographic Township of Minden

**You can provide input** by making a written submission to the Township. To provide input in writing, please contact the undersigned or e-mail [adougherty@mindenhills.ca](mailto:adougherty@mindenhills.ca) no later than **July 29th, 2023**.

The Council meeting to consider a by-law to stop up, close and convey the parcels listed above will be scheduled for a later date. Should you wish to be notified when a Council meeting has been scheduled, please contact the undersigned or email [adougherty@mindenhills.ca](mailto:adougherty@mindenhills.ca) no later than **July 29th, 2023**.

The above noted applications are available for inspection in the Building and Planning Department located at 7 Milne Street, Minden, Ontario by appointment only. Additional information may be obtained by contacting the undersigned or by visiting [www.mindenhills.ca/newsroom](http://www.mindenhills.ca/newsroom).

**AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE** any person who claims that their land will be prejudicially affected is asked to contact the undersigned at their earliest convenience. If deemed advisable, By-laws giving effect to the proposed closure and conveyance will be passed by the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the commenting period with respect to the following applications has concluded and the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills now proposes to consider a by-law to stop up, close, and convey the parcels of land more particularly described as follows:

- 1. **File No. PLSRA2022003:** Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Canning Lake, lying in front of 1008 Carefree Drive within Part Lot 11, Concession 14 in the Geographic Township of Snowdon.
- 2. **File No. PLSRA2022025:** Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Kashagawigamog Lake, lying in front of 1033 Rays Lane within Part Lot 26, Concession 7, Geographic Township of Minden.
- 3. **File No. PLSRA2022033:** Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Twelve Mile Lake, lying in front of 1004 Minstrel Court within Part Lot 13, Concession 11, Geographic Township of Minden.
- 4. **File No. PLSRA2022062:** Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Davis Lake, lying in front of 1197 Canuck Trail within Part Lot 10, Concession 2, Geographic Township of Lutterworth.

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WHAT’S ON

**July 7, 10:30 a.m.**  
Come to the Dysart library for family storytime with author Phyllis Bordo. Children of all ages welcome. No registration required. Storytimes are hosted every Friday during the summer.

**July 8, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.**  
Makers Market at Mountain Trout House Marina. Check out local artisans while listening to live music, tasting beer and enjoying ice cream, lattes and baked goods from our ‘loyal to the latte’ trailer. Rain or shine. All are welcome.

**July 8, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.**  
Dysart Library boardroom. Friends of the Haliburton County Public Library summer book sale. Sales by donation. All proceeds directly benefit the HCPL, including funding for book club sets, E-books and E-readers, children’s computers and speciality collections.

**July 12, 3:30 p.m.**  
Children are invited to the Minden Hills library for a beginner ukulele program. For those aged 7 to 15. Bring your own ukulele or use one of ours. No registration required.

**July 12, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.**  
Rug making workshop at SIRCH. Join experienced fabric crafter Barbara Fawcett as she teaches you how to make an upcycled rug using old t-shirts. Limited to eight participants. RSVP at [events@sirch.on.ca](mailto:events@sirch.on.ca). Cost is \$5 if you bring some old t-shirts, or \$10 with everything provided.

**July 13, 7 to 9 p.m.**  
Voice peer support group meet at SIRCH. Join this group of people who are working on a better life for themselves. We meet to share with each other and, in the future, to help improve community services.

**July 14, 2 to 4 p.m.**  
Drop by the Wilberforce library to check out some fun tech toys. The selection includes Ozobots, 3D pens, snap circuits, code-a-pillar and Osmo. Ages 12 and under. No registration required.

**July 15, 2 to 6 p.m.**  
Live music at the Haliburton Legion, featuring Gord Kidd. Event taking place in the clubroom. Entry is \$5. Sausage on a bun available.

**July 15, 5 p.m.**  
The Gigantic Penny Raffle is back at the arena in Wilberforce. Free admission, more than 150 prizes. Early bird viewing from 1 to 3 p.m. Spaghetti dinner from 5 to 7 p.m. Main raffle opens at 5:30 p.m. Kids games, balloon animals, cotton candy, Mad Hatter’s hat parade and more. Proceeds support local youth and cultural activities.

**July 18, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.**  
Felting craft night at SIRCH. Learn to needle felt small whimsical friends out of wool. This will be an open workshop with participants free to make anything they want. An instructor will be available to offer guidance.

**July 19, 10:30 a.m.**  
Scrabble and coffee at the Red Cross Outpost Historic House Museum in Wilberforce. All welcome.

**July 21 to 23.**  
Celebrate 85 years of the Eagle Lake Church and Community Centre. Live music and theatrical dance Friday evening from 6 to 8 p.m.; BBQ, craft and pie sale, and historical display Saturday from 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Church service Sunday morning, followed by reception, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. All festivities taking place at the church, located at 2605 Eagle Lake Road.

**July 22, noon to 2 p.m.**  
Live music at SIRCH, featuring Darryl Marks. His songs are written from the heart, passionately performed and infused with his unique blend of pop, rock and folk influence. Food will be available at the Bistro.

**Have an event?**  
**Email [mike@thehighlander.ca](mailto:mike@thehighlander.ca)**  
**Monday by 5 p.m.**

ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION EVENTS

**Royal Canadian Legion - Branch 129 Haliburton weekly activities**  
**Mondays:** Bridge at 1 p.m. in the Schofield Room.  
**Tuesdays:** League darts starting at 7 p.m.  
**Wednesdays:** Bid euchre 1 p.m. start, main hall & bingo, doors open at 6 p.m. Bingo starts at 7 p.m. \$1,000 jackpot.  
**Thursdays:** General meeting third Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. & ladies auxiliary last Thursday of the month at 1 p.m.  
**Fridays:** Meat draw, five draws, five prizes each draw, first draw at 4:30 p.m., last draw at 6:30 p.m., tickets \$2 per draw. Ed Pickard, MC. Friday fun darts 4:30 p.m. onwards.  
**Saturdays:** 50/50 draw 4 p.m. Tickets \$1 each available in the Clubroom.  
**Clubroom hours:** Mon 3-6 p.m., Tues 3-9 p.m., Wed/Thurs 3-6 p.m., Fri 3-7 p.m. & Sat 3-6 p.m.

705-457-2571, email [rcl129@outlook.com](mailto:rcl129@outlook.com) or visit [haliburtonlegion.com](http://haliburtonlegion.com).

**Royal Canadian Legion - Mabel D. Brannigan Branch 636 Minden**  
**Monday - Thursday:** Lunch 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. with regular menu and daily special including Liver Lovers’ Tuesday.  
**Friday** Fish & Chips & Wings. Lunch 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and dinner 4-7 p.m.  
**Saturday** all day breakfast 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. with meat draws at 11:30 a.m.  
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**Weekly activities:**  
Karaoke every second Friday.  
Monday: Rug Hookers every second week.  
Tuesday: Euchre 1-3 p.m.  
Thursday: Cribbage 1-3 p.m., Darts 7-9 p.m. and euchre 7-9 p.m.

**Royal Canadian Legion - Branch 624 Wilberforce**  
**July 6:** Open 2-6 p.m.  
**July 7:** Wings & jam session 5-8 p.m.  
**July 8:** Meat draw 3 p.m.  
**July 9:** L.A breakfast 9-11 a.m.  
**July 10:** Closed  
**July 11:** Closed - General Mtg 7 p.m.  
**July 12:** Darts 2 p.m. – Open to 6 p.m.  
**July 13:** Open 2-6 p.m. HHHS social 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Everyone welcome.  
If you are planning a function for social or other event, providing our guidelines/conditions are met, please feel free to contact us at 705-448-2221.

Friday dinners are in jeopardy due to lack of volunteers. Please reach out as soon as possible to help. Young people come out and show the elders how it’s done!

**Royal Canadian Legion - Branch 519 Coboconk**  
**Second Monday of the month:** General meeting - 7:30 p.m.  
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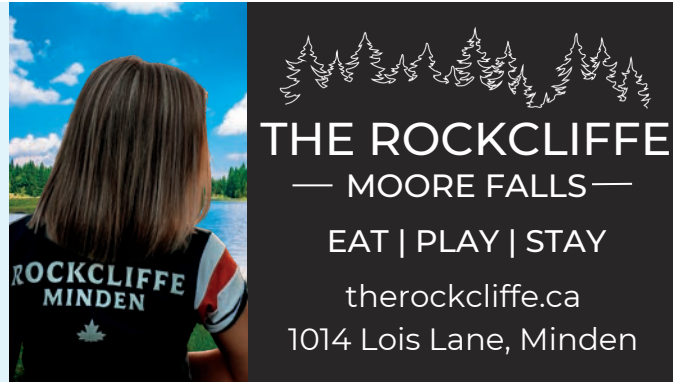
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Rockcliffe, SIP & SUP 6 p.m. & Trivia Night 7 p.m.  
Boshkung Social, Cam Galloway 6-9 p.m.

### Friday July 7

Dominion Hotel, Bill Black 3-6 p.m. Open mic 7:30 p.m.

### Saturday July 8

Haliburton Highlands Brewing Shipyard Kitchen Party in the event tent 6:30pm - \$25 in advance  
Dominion Hotel, North Country Express 3 p.m.  
Rockcliffe, Karaoke Party 9 p.m.

### Sunday July 9

Rockcliffe, Guided 4-Wheeler Ride 4 p.m.  
Dominion Hotel, Gord Kidd and Friends 3 p.m.

### Tuesday July 11

Music in the Park, The Rockin' Bobs 6:30  
Dominion Hotel, Tiki Tuesday Party with Jeff Moulton 5 p.m.

### Wednesday July 12

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Top left: Tom Prentice seats himself in the bed of this truck during the car show. Top right: Lauren Devolin and baby, Douglas Cowan. Middle: Kids line the Gull River in downtown Minden for the fishing derby. Above left: Quinn McLean checked out this fire truck. Above right: A mystery clown was raising money for Rotary. *Photos by Lisa Gervais.*

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OBITUARIES

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(Tye) Irwin and Patricia  
(nee: Bishop), brother of the late David Irwin, and  
father of Thomas, Heather (Brad), and Peter. Mike will  
be greatly missed by his siblings Tim, Beth, John, and  
Patrick (Lori), his granddaughter, Brooklyn, and  
his nephews and niece William (Meg), Adam,  
Ethan, and Grace, and his former spouse,  
Kathy.

Celebration Of Life

A Celebration of Michael's life will be held at the  
**ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION BRANCH #129**  
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Ontario on Sunday, July 9 from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m.  
for friends and relatives to attend in the Main Hall.  
Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the

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In Loving Memory of

Gwenneth Joan Bryant

July 17, 1939 – June 3, 2023

Peacefully in her 84th year at Highland Wood  
LTC, Haliburton.

Predeceased by her parents Roland and Edith  
Darling and by her husband of 55 years Bob Bryant.

Survived by her children Tim, Todd (Cheryl), Ted (Terri), her 5  
grandchildren Nikki (Cody), Charlie (Sam), Tyler (Zack), Scott  
(Meghan), Sarah (Coltin), her 3 great grandchildren Emilia, Carter  
and Kit Maverick.

The family would like to thanks the staff at Highland Wood for their  
excellent care with Mom these past few months.

A celebration of Gwen's life will take place at the Gordon A. Monk  
Funeral Home Ltd., 127 Bobcaygeon Road, P.O. Box 427, Minden  
K0M 2K0 on Saturday, July 15, 2023 from 11:00 am until 1:00 pm.

Memorial Donations to the Haliburton Highlands  
Health Services Foundation (HHHSF) would be  
appreciated by the family.

In Loving Memory of

Mabel Joan Clendenning  
(nee Precoor)

Passed away suddenly on Tuesday, June 27, 2023,  
at the age of 74.

Beloved wife of Bill. Dear mother of Jo-Anne  
(Chris) and stepmother of Kim (Tim), Karrie (Angie), and Kelly.  
Loving grandma to 6 grandchildren and 5 great grandchildren. Dear  
sister of Alex (Rosalie), Frank (deceased), John (deceased) (Dianne),  
Wayne (deceased) (Gail), Lorraine (Lloyd-deceased), Clarence  
(Carolann), Christena (Don), Judy, Bonny, Susan (Chuck), Shirley  
(deceased) and Margaret (deceased). Fondly remembered by her  
nieces, nephews, family and friends.

Friends are invited to visit the family at the Gordon A. Monk Funeral  
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on Wednesday, July 5 2023 from 1:00 until 4:00 pm and on Thursday,  
July 6, 2023 from 1:00 until the time of the Service to Celebrate Mabel's  
Life at 2:00 pm. A Graveside Interment Service will be held at the  
Gelert Cemetery, 1052 Cemetery Rd., Gelert on Friday, July 14, 2023  
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A Means to an End

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- Across**
- 1 Unlikely reader of "Miss Manners"
  - 5 Nab, as a hot deal
  - 9 Get \_\_\_ vibe (feel uneasy)
  - 13 "Sick!", in the '60s
  - 14 "The Gathering Place" Hawaiian isle
  - 15 Certain farm girls
  - 16 Shady and short-lived, as a business
  - 18 Patty Stacker purveyor
  - 19 "Little Women" writer's inits.
  - 20 Z-shaped Greek letter
  - 21 Gives a licking?
  - 22 Comical Carvey
  - 24 Do worse than ever
  - 28 Hank Aaron's 2,297, e.g.
  - 30 Electronic car key
  - 31 Mopey genre
  - 32 "Ready to roll!"
  - 35 Place to preserve?
  - 36 Reykjavík's country: Abbr.
  - 37 Do a magic trick with a box and a blade
  - 41 Tracy Marrow's Ice-T and O'Shea Jackson's Ice Cube
  - 42 Irk
  - 43 Diarist of the Great Plague and other events
  - 44 100-yr. span
  - 45 Present day assistant?
  - 46 Wife of Norm on "Cheers"
  - 48 Doesn't fall far from the tree, so to speak
  - 51 Pope's "The \_\_\_ of the Lock"
  - 55 Make a call in the '70s, say
  - 56 Mirror-cracking
  - 58 "Pa" hillbilly of TV
  - 59 Comedians Charlotte and Lara
  - 60 Ainer of "Shark Week" and "The Incredible Dr. Pol"
  - 63 Craft-selling site
  - 64 "Star Trek" counsellor
  - 65 Hubby's mate
  - 66 With 68-Across, words to a couch potato ... and a hint to the ends of 16-, 24-, 37-, 48- and 60-Across
  - 67 Partner of now
  - 68 See 66-Across

- Down**
- 1 Title city in a civil rights film
  - 2 \_\_\_ egg (bomb bigtime)
  - 3 Place to play the ponies: Abbr.
  - 4 R&B's \_\_\_ II Men
  - 5 "By Jove, you're right!"
  - 6 Henpeck
  - 7 Feel-good sound
  - 8 Digestive target of probiotics
  - 9 Not true, in a way
  - 10 Flipped lid?
  - 11 In a mind-blowing way
  - 12 Internet access inits.
  - 13 Prov. part nicknamed "The Rock"
  - 17 Soda pronounced "knee high"
  - 21 With "the," site-seeing place?
  - 23 Domains
  - 25 "I'm not \_\_\_" (tepid assessment)
  - 26 Formal "me neither"
  - 27 Scarfs (down)
  - 29 Cousin of FYI
  - 32 "All I gotta do \_\_\_ naturally" (song lyric)
  - 33 Arrange to meet
  - 34 Superlatively stylish
  - 35 Car with a cat on its hood, for short
  - 36 Gossipmonger's opening
  - 38 "... \_\_\_-da, life goes on ..."
  - 39 Flub
  - 40 U.S. station similar to CBC
  - 45 Would-be anglophone's class: Abbr.
  - 46 Produce product, briefly
  - 47 Writer \_\_\_ Stanley Gardner
  - 49 Course that's a cakewalk
  - 50 Struggling student's hiree
  - 52 One sec
  - 53 Large Lake Erie island
  - 54 Watery vortex
  - 57 Cat wail
  - 59 Grade of gas, for short
  - 60 Unspecified degree
  - 61 First word of a classic Judy Blume title
  - 62 Console that sounds like you and me

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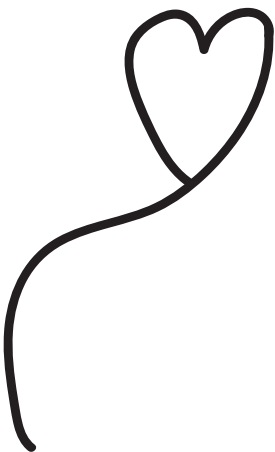
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